THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) and (b) Based on the information available from the State/U.T. Governments the total volume of domestic tourist visits in the country during 1991 has been roughly estimated to be about 64 million.

(c) The steps proposed to be taken to promote domestic tourism include development of camping sites, introduction of Paying guest accommodations Scheme, recognition of tour operators engaged in domestic tourism, development of facilities at selected pilgrim centres, domestic publicity etc.

Success rate of trunk calls

*498. SHRI J. S. RAJU;
DR. NARREDDY THULASI REDDY:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 1956 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 28th July, 1992 and state the latest call success rate and trunk efficiency percentage.

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): Sir, All India Call Success rate and trunk efficiency percentages as on 30-6-1992 are as follows:

Parameter	As on 30-6-92
1. Call Completion rate (Local)	97·27%
2. Call Completion rate (Junction)	92·55%
3. Call Completion rate (STD)	88·46%
4. Manual Trunk Efficiency	77·67%

उपभोक्ता ट्रंक डायलिंग के कोड नम्बरों में असमानता

*499. **श्री विश्वासराव रामराव पाटिल** : क्या **संचार** मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि उपभोक्ता ट्रंक डायलिंग के कोड नम्बरों में कोई समरूपता/समानता नहीं है जिसके परिणामस्वरूप उपभोक्ताओं को टेलीफोन नम्बर मिलाने में दिक्कत होती है ;

(ख) क्या यह भी सच है कि कुछ शहरों के कोड नम्बर तीन अंकों में हैं जबकि कुछ अन्य शहरों के कोड नम्बर आठ अंकों में हैं ;

(ग) यदि हां, तो क्या सरकार विभिन्न शहरों के उपभोक्ता ट्रंक डायलिंग के कोड नम्बरों में उसी तरह एकरूपता लाने पर विचार कर रही है जैसी कि डाकघरों के कोड नम्बरों में है;

(घ) यदि हां, तो उसका ब्यौरा क्या है; और

(ङ) यदि नहीं, तो उसके क्या कारण है ?

संचार मंत्रालय के राज्य मंत्री (श्री राजेश पायलट) : (क) और (ख) तकनीकी कारणों से किसी शहर/कस्बे की एस.टी.डी. कोड की लंबाई स्थानीय टेलोफोन नंबर की लंबाई के अनुसार भिन्न-भिन्न है। उपभोक्ताओं की सहायता के लिए एस.टी.डी. कोडों का समुचित प्रचार किया जाता है।

(ग) से (ङ) राष्ट्रीय काल के लिए डायल किये जाने वाले अंकों की अधिकतम संख्या 10 तक सीमित रखने

के कारण और देश में 2 से 7 अंकों के भिन्न-भिन्न नम्बरों वाले स्थानीय टेलीफोन होने के कारण एस.टी.डी. कोड के लिए नंबरों की लंबाई अलग-अलग रखना आवश्यक है ।

Delay in DVC Megia Unit

*500. SHRI B. K. HARIPRASAD: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether DVC's Megia Unit is likely to be further delayed as reported in the 'Economic Times' of the 11th July, 1992 and if so, details thereof indicating which other similar projects are likely to be affecttd, statewise, in view of the financial crunch; and

(b) whether funds cannot be raised through public issues in collaboration with the States in order to meet the situation?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRI KALP NATH RAI): (a) Yes, Sir. The three units of Megia Thermal Power Project (3x210 MW) which were originally scheduled to be commissioned by March, 1991, December, 1991 and September, 1992 respectively are now, expected to be commissioned by Dec., 1994, September, 1995 and January, 1996 respectively. Other projects of DVC which would be affected are:—

S.No.	Name of Project	Type	Capacity (MUW)	State	Remarks
1	Bokaro 'B'	Thermal (Coal)	3x210	Bihar	Unit I & II were commissioned. Unit-3 is under construction.
2	Panchet Hydel Unit-II with Tail Pool Dam	Hydel	1x40	Bihar	Hydel Unit-II was commissioned. Tail Pool Dam is under construction.

(b) There is no proposal with Government at present for raising funds through public issues in collaboration with States for financing power projects. The DVC has been allocated power bonds of the value of Rs. 200 crores to be raised in the market for financing projects during the current financial year.

Loan disbursed by Tourism Finance Corporation of India

3618. SHRI SUSHILKUMAR SAMBHAJIRAO SHINDE: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) what is the total amount of loans disbursed by the Tourism Finance Corporation of India during the last three years;

(b) what is the number of projects for which this loan was disbursed; and

(c) what is the amount of money available for the current year with the Corporation for disbursement as loan?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) Total amount of loan disbursed by the TFCI during the